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In re Application of:
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Application No.: 08/575,433
Filed: 20 December, 1995
For: HYBRID PACKET-SWITCHED AND
CIRCUIT-SWITCHED TELEPHONY

:
: DECISION ON PETITION
: TO WITHDRAW HOLDING
: OF ABANDONMENT

This is a response to the request for withdrawal of the notice of abandonment filed on April 28, 2000, and is being treated under 37 C.F.R. §1.181 as a petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment.

The Office regrets the delay in addressing this matter.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The application became abandoned after the applicant failed to timely and properly reply to the March 20, 1998, final Office action.

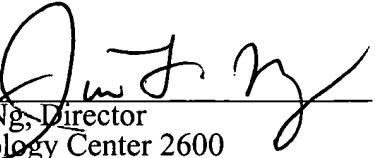
Petitioner replied to the final Office action with an Amendment filed on June 22, 1998, an Advisory Action mailed on 13 July, 1998, notified Petitioner that the proposed amendments would "not be entered because they raise new issues that would require further consideration and research." Therefore, this amendment was not a proper reply to the final Office action.

Petitioner has submitted evidenced by way of an Express Mail Label No. EM549006682US showing a "Date-in" of August 21, 1998 and a date stamped receipt card of the same date showing that Petitioner replied to the final Office action with a Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) filed via Express Mail on 21 August, 1998, and the record contained a general authorization for fees and in particular for extension of time fees--for which Petitioner herein required a three- (3-) month extension to make timely the reply in the form of the CPA.

For the reasons stated above the petition is granted. The Notice of Abandonment is vacated, and the holding of abandonment withdrawn.

It appears that Petitioner has made some change to the mailing address, however, no formal Notice of Change of Address has been filed of record. Petitioner must so file if a change of address is to be formalized. It also does not appear that Petitioner has been authorized to act on behalf of the Applicant, and a formal Power of Attorney/Revocation or Associate Power of Attorney should be filed to provide such authorization.

The application is being forwarded to the Technology Center's technical support staff for processing of the CPA, charging of the appropriate fees (including the three- (3-) month extension of time) to Deposit Account 13-2491. The file will then be forwarded to the Examiner for further examination in due course.


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